

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new Claims 12 as follows:

B1
SAC

12. A method for regenerating catalytic activity of a catalyst composed of a titanium dioxide or hydrous titanium dioxide support coated with gold particles that has been used for oxidation of unsaturated hydrocarbons in the gas phase comprising contacting the catalyst with water or dilute acid.

Please amend Claim 6 to read as follows:

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6. (Once Amended, Clean) A method for regenerating catalytic activity of a catalyst composed of a titanium dioxide or hydrous titanium dioxide support coated with gold particles that has been used for oxidation of unsaturated hydrocarbons in the gas phase comprising contacting the catalyst with water, dilute acid or a dilute hydrogen peroxide solution.